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SUBJECT: OPERATION TRIZO

1. RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CURRENT CAMPAIGN AND THE STATUS OF DESIRED AND COMPLETED PROCUREMENTS NEED TO BE CLARIFIED. OUR PRESENT UNDERSTANDING OF THE STATUS OF SEVERAL PENDING NEEDS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A) ADDITIONAL PILOTS: YOU HAVE INDICATED GOM WILLING AND ABLE TO CONTRACT RAPIDLY AND DIRECTLY WITH EVERGREEN FOR FIVE U.S. 212 TECHNICAL ADVISERS EXPERIENCED IN MICROFOIL SPRAY APPLICATION. ASSUME THIS DECISION APPROVED BY A.G. OJEDA. ASSUME THIS ARRANGEMENT WILL OBVIATE FURTHER NEED FOR FINDING ADDITIONAL PILOTS 212 OR 206 IN U.S.FOR CAMPAIGN.

B) 206 HELICOPTERS (10 IN COUNTRY): LATEST WORD INDICATES NO ADDITIONAL NEW OR USED 206'S NEEDED.

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C) SIMPLEX SPRAY SYSTEMS: FIVE ORDERED AND EXPECTED

TO BE DELIVERED IN COUNTRY BY JANUARY 15. NO ADDITIONAL
SIMPLEX SYSTEMS NEEDED.

D) MICROFOIL: LATEST WORD FROM POST THAT FIVE

MICROFOIL SPRAY SYSTEMS TO HAVE BEEN ORDERED DIRECTLY BY
BELL AND WILL BE FLOWN INTO MEXICO BY JANUARY 15. WE ARE
UNCLEAR WHETHER THIS INCLUDES TWO REQUIRED EQUIPMENT
SPECIALISTS FROM EVERGREEN. PLEASE ADVISE.

E) HELICOPTER: MECHANICS - NINE MECHANICS BEING
SELECTED BY BELL WITH ASSIGNMENT TO MEXICO BEING
ARRANGED ASAP. SUGGEST EMBASSY DEAL DIRECTLY WITH BELL
AND EVERGREEN CONCERNING NEEDED GOM DOCUMENTATION TO
AVOID DELAY, I.E., TO OBTAIN VISAS,
ET AL, UPON ARRIVAL
IN MEXICO CITY.

F) TELECOMMUNICATIONS: TWO U.S. TECHNICIANS
ARRIVING JANUARY 11. NO FURTHER ACTION REQUIRED UNLESS
REQUESTED. EQUIPMENT HAS ARRIVED IN MEXICO.

G) MOPS AND ERTS SYSTEM: TWO U.S. TECHNICIANS
ARRIVING EARLY WEEK OF JANUARY 12. SEPTTEL ON BOTH
SUBJECTS WILL FOLLOW. ADVISE IF ADDITIONAL MULTI-
SPECTRAL TECHNICIANS NEEDED.

H) MAPS: ADDITIONAL CARTONS OF MAPS REQUESTED
BEING AIR FREIGHTED. WILL ADVISE AIRWAY BILL NUMBER.

I) INTERDICTION VEHICLES: FOUR BASIC SYSTEMS
EXPECTED TO BE PICKED UP BY A.G. REPRESENTATIVES THIS
WEEKEND. ARRANGEMENTS FOR FIFTH (PROTOTYPE) SYSTEM
TO BE TURNED OVER TO GOM BEING CONSIDERED.

J) STOL AIRCRAFT: WE UNDERSTAND TECHNICAL JUSTI-
FICATION FOR TWO STOL AIRCRAFT BEING PROVIDED.

K) ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT REQUESTED FOR TRANSPORT OF
A.G. PERSONNEL. WE ARE UNCERTAIN OF SPECIFIC REQUIRE-
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MENTS HERE AND REQUEST CABLE CLARIFICATION.

L) HERBICIDES: PLEASE ADVISE US WHEN TYPE OF
HERBICIDE SELECTED FOR GENERAL USE IS KNOWN AND WHETHER
AVAILABLE QUANTITIES IN MEXICO ARE SUFFICIENT TO MEET
CAMPAIGN REQUIREMENTS.

2. COMMENT, CORRECTION OR CLARIFICATION OF ABOVE STATUS

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